

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action has been carefully considered. The issues raised are traversed and addressed below with reference to the relevant headings and paragraph numbers appearing under the Detailed Action of the Office Action.

Specification

The Applicants have amended Page 1 of the specification to show the cross-reference to related application in an appropriate manner.

The Applicants have also amended Page 2 and 3 of the specification to update co-pending application numbers with granted patent numbers and corrected a typographical error. The Applicants submit that these amendments introduce no new matter.

Claim rejections – 35 USC § 102

The Examiner indicates that claims 1, 4 and 5 are anticipated by Perazza. As set out in our previous response this is clearly not the case.

Claim 1 requires that the computer system receive indicating data regarding the identity of the bill and a position of the sensing device relative to the bill. This is not shown by Perazza.

Claim 4 requires that the computer receive indicating data regarding said at least one parameter and regarding movement of the sensing device relative to the bill. There is no indication in Perazza that movement of the sensing device relative to the bill is ever determined.

Claim 5 requires that the computer system receive indicating data regarding an identity of the person with the identity of the person being contained in the sensing device. Again, this is not shown in Perazza.

The Examiner has done absolutely nothing to justify his objections and merely states that receiving indicating data from a sensing device is shown. There is nothing in Perazza to teach that the indicating data is indicative of either position, movement, or that the sensing device may contain data regarding a user, as explicitly required by the claims.

These arguments were clearly set out in our previous response and in absence of any further justification of his objections, we do not see any grounds for the Examiner maintaining the objections.

In paragraph 11 in the Examiner's Report the Examiner indicates that these limitations are addressed as stated. However, the Examiner has only referred to indicating data being shown in Perazza and has not addressed the limitations as stated.

We also note the Examiner has done absolutely nothing to justify objections raised against claims 4 and 5.

In paragraph 12 of the Office Action the Examiner indicates that the Applicant's arguments relies upon features not recited in the rejected claims. We respectfully submit that this is not the case.

Claim 1 clearly refers to position. Claim 4 clearly refers to movement. Claim 5 clearly refers to the sensing device containing an identity of the user. The arguments made on pages 13 and 14 of the previous response therefore clearly refer to limitations which are explicitly in the claims. In absence of any justification, we therefore simply cannot accept the Examiner's comments made in paragraph 12.

If the Examiner is minded to maintain the stance that our arguments are based on features not shown in the claim, we suggest that he highlight in our previous response what these arguments are and how come these features are not shown in the claim when they are explicitly stated.

In paragraph 13 of the Office Action the Examiner refers to an obviousness objection regarding combining teachings of the prior art. Our previous response made no reference to the claims which have been objected to on the basis of an obviousness objection. The response made no reference to objecting to the Examiner's combination of the prior art. We therefore do not understand why the Examiner has referred to Geiger, or understand the purpose of the Examiner's explanation in paragraphs 13 and 14.

It is therefore evident from this that the Examiner's examination of this case is completely unsatisfactory and we therefore request that the Examiner reconsider the objections. In this regard, in order to allow us to address the Examiner's objections, we would appreciate an explanation of where the features claimed are shown in Perazza. Without any such justification it is simply impossible for us to deal with the Examiner's objections.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the objections and claim rejections have been successfully traversed and addressed. The amendments do not involve adding any information that was not already disclosed in the specification, and therefore no new matter is added. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claims 1 to 47, and the application as a whole with these claims, are allowable, and a favourable reconsideration is therefore earnestly solicited.

Very respectfully,

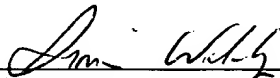
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